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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 7, 2005 of the primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1, 5, 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 20, 23 and 28-31.

> Respectfully submitted for Applicant,

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